

Appl. No. 09/929,068

REMARKS

Claims 20-29 are now present in this application.

Claim 20 has been amended. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments, and in view of the amendments and remarks set forth in the Reply After Final filed on February 20, 2003, it is respectfully submitted that the chassis for an inductor set forth in independent claims 20 and 28, as well as their dependent claims, is neither taught nor suggested by the prior art utilized by the Examiner. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of all objections and rejections are respectfully requested.

Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

In the event the Examiner does not consider this application to be in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered for the purposes of Appeal. This Amendment should overcome the current grounds of rejection and therefore simplify the issues for Appeal. Nonetheless, it should be unnecessary to proceed to Appeal because the instant application should now be in condition for allowance.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

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Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

20. (Twice Amended) A chassis for an inductor having a core and a coil wound around the core, the chassis [comprising] consisting of:

an insulting element;

a first conductive element including a first section, a second section, a first step section connected between the first and second sections, and a first stem connected to the second section, wherein the first section and the first step section are disposed inside the insulating element, the second section is embedded in the insulating element, and the first stem protrudes from the insulating element in a direction; and

a second conductive element including a third section, a fourth section, a second step section connected between the third and fourth sections, and a second stem connected to the fourth section, wherein the third section and the second step section are disposed inside the insulating element, the fourth section is embedded in the insulating element, and the second stem protrudes from the insulating element in the direction, the chassis only having two stems which all radiate in the same direction.